

in Uttar Pradesh after their displacement in large number from East Bengal in 1947; and

(b) if so, by when the matter would be finalized?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposal is being processed as per approved modalities. It is not possible to indicate the time, as it requires consultation with a number of agencies.

### **Cruelty towards Animals**

**2442. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL:** Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is all round concern in the world over the cruelty towards animals in India;

(b) the number of cases registered for cruelty towards animals during the last three years, State-wise; and

(c) in how many cases offenders have undergone jail terms for inflicting cruelty on animals?

**THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI):** (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

### **Migration of Dalits due to Atrocities**

**2443. SHRI RAJU PARMAR:** Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that due to atrocities perpetrated on SCs and STs, massive trans-migration of dalits from their villages to safer places took place in Gujarat, Bihar and other States in recent months;